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Network-based system and method for facilitating conception of inventions in a

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DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT FOR

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SIR:

The applicants submit herewith a Declaration in satisfaction of the requirements of 37 CFR 1.63, (attached hereto as argenting A) (attached hereto as appendix A).

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Additionally, the applicants submit herewith an Assignment and Recordation sheet for United States

Patent Application No.: 09/781,365, (attached hereto as appendix B).

In the event that any issues remain outstanding incident to the formal allowance of the application, the

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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter claimed in the present application and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

NETWORK-BASED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING CONCEPTION OF INVENTIONS IN A DIRECTED MANNER

the specification of which (check one):

, is attached hereto;

X was filed on 02/12/01, as United States Application Serial No. 09/781,368.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims and the drawings, and including any amendments referred to herein.

Duty of Disclosure and Truthfulness of Information Provided

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the patentability of the above-identified invention of the present application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, Title 18 of the United States Code, section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

Foreign Priority

I hereby claim foreign priority under Title 35, United States Code, section 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate have a filing date before that of the application for which priority is claimed:

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U.S. Non-Provisional Application Priority

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, section 120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to the patentability of the above-identified invention as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Appendix B
Assignment and recordation sheet for United States Patent Application No.: 09/781,365



Appendix A
Declaration for United States Patent Application No.: 09/781,365

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